

March 8, 2010

The Common Council met as the Water Utility Board at 7:00 p.m. on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Tucker presiding and members Askren, Fuelling, Hoehn, and Higgins attending. Board member Curtis was not present. Others attending were Attorney Higgins; Supt. Gray; Chief Beloit; Chief Waters; Comm. Maynard; Supt. Givens; David and Judy Whitten; Paul Householder – Cimbar Performance Minerals (formerly Polar Minerals); Andy Hoehn; and Pam Robinson – Posey County News.

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of their previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions. He added if not, he entertains a motion to waive their reading and to approve the minutes as presented. Board member Higgins moved the reading of the minutes be waived and they be approved as presented. Seconded by Board member Hoehn.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker requested action on the claims presented.

Board member Askren moved the claims presented be allowed for payment. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

*****CLAIMS*****

Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the report of the Water Chairwoman.

Chairwoman Askren stated she has no report.

Supt. Gray reported some folks may have noticed a change in the flavor of the water due to the increased oxygen. He added that is a direct result of the new aeration system, it is working very well. He then stated it is as good as it gets right now, as their by-products are not detectable. He added folks may also notice the water is softer too, again, the new aeration system is working very well.

Supt. Gray then stated in reference to the painting of the Mulberry Tower, there are some amendments that need to be made to the bid before they proceed, hopefully it will be ready to sign at the next meeting. Board member Fuelling replied that is good news on the painting of the tower, and as for the taste of the water, yes, he did notice that as well.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions of Chairwoman Askren or Supt. Gray ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker stated they have the Financial Report for January before them and any questions could be directed to Bookkeeper Bennett.

Mayor Tucker asked if the Clerk-Treasurer had any Communications for the Board ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any Legals for consideration ?

Attorney Higgins replied she has none at this time.

Mayor Tucker asked if anyone in the Audience wished to address the Board ?

Paul Householder approached the podium and stated he is with Cimbar Performance Minerals, formerly Polar Minerals. He continued by stating their company uses water in the manufacture of talc but they do not put back into the sewer system as much as they use from the water system. He added they were looking at trying to reduce the sewer portion of their billing and Supt. Givens has done a walk through of their operation and saw the process for himself. He then stated their business continues to grow and as a result, they will need more city water.

Board member Fuelling asked if they can separate the water going into the sewer system from that NOT going to the sewer system ?

Mr. Householder replied yes.

Supt. Gray stated he believes Mr. Householder is wanting to reduce the sewer portion of their bill because a lot of their water does not go into the sewer system/

Board member Hoehn stated if she understands correctly, the water in is metered and what goes out is not metered, though the sewer portion of the bill is based on the water that is used. She wondered if it could be metered OUT ?

Supt. Givens replied Mr. Householder actually needs a separate meter.

Attorney Higgins agreed and added she believes this has been done before – one meter would be for potable water and the other for manufacturing. She added it would definitely be easier with two separate metered services, though there would need to be proof and inspections.

Supt. Givens stated Mr. Householder showed him the new line they ran and he only saw the one meter.

Mr. Householder then stated he is not sure exactly how they are set up currently as he would need someone to check that out for him.

Board member Hoehn asked if the Board approves this, would Cimbar absorb the expense of adding the second meter ?

Mr. Householder replied yes, especially since it would lower the cost of the sewer portion of their bill.

Attorney Higgins stated this issue also needs to be brought before the Board of Works as it is really a sewer issue. She added they would be subject to the normal water tap fee for the new meter as well.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was anything further ?

There was nothing.

Mayor Tucker asked if anyone else in the Audience wished to address the Board ?

There was no response.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any Old Business ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated under New Business they need to decide on the March 22 meeting. He continued by stating that is Spring Break week and Attorney Higgins will be out of town; Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe has a big day coming up that week; and he will be having a minor same-day surgical procedure that week as well.

Board member Askren moved the meeting scheduled for March 22, 2010 be canceled. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker stated if there was no further business, he entertains a motion to adjourn.

Board member Fuelling moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Board member Askren.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously and adjourned the meeting.

John Tucker
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cristi L. Wolfe
Clerk-Treasurer

The Common Council met immediately following the Water Utility Board on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Tucker presiding and members Askren, Fuelling, Hoehn, and Higgins attending. Councilman Curtis was not present. Others attending were Attorney Higgins; Supt. Gray; Chief Beloat; Chief Waters; Comm. Maynard; Supt. Givens; David and Judy Whitten; Paul Householder – Cimbar Performance Minerals (formerly Polar Minerals); Andy Hoehn; and Pam Robinson – Posey County News.

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Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the reports of the Standing Committees.

Street & Light Chairman Fuelling stated he and Comm. Maynard have started looking at the streets, along with an engineer, to determine which ones will be on the repair/pave list for this year.

Comm. Maynard stated he has no report.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were questions ?

There were none.

Police & Dog Chairwoman Hoehn stated she has no report.

Chief Beloat stated he has no report.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Fire Chairman Curtis was not present.

Chief Waters stated he has no report.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Sewer Chairwoman Higgins stated she has no report.

Supt. Givens stated he has no report.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker stated they have the Financial Report for February before them and any questions could be directed to Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe.

Mayor Tucker asked if the Clerk-Treasurer had any Communications for the Council ?
Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe replied not at this time.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any Legals for consideration ?
Attorney Higgins replied she has a follow up from their last meeting, the actual figures for GAF for their Agreement in Lieu of Annexation. She reminded Council they approved the Resolution at their last meeting but due to GAF making some improvements, their figures were not accurate, she now has the corrected figures GAF will pay the City, starting in 2010, as follows: 2010 - \$36370.00; 2011 - \$37097.00; 2012 - \$37839.00; 2013 - \$38596.00. She concluded by stating following the meeting the agreement will be executed by Mayor Tucker and Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any other Legals ?
There were none.

Mayor Tucker asked if anyone in the Audience wished to address the Council ?
There was no response.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any Old Business ?
There was none.

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Councilwoman Askren moved the meeting scheduled for March 22, 2010 be canceled. Seconded by Councilman Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?
There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the reports of the Districts.

1st District Councilwoman Askren stated she has no report.

2nd District Councilman Fuelling stated he has no report.

3rd District Councilwoman Hoehn stated she has no report.

4th District Councilman Curtis was not present.

Councilwoman-at-Large Higgins stated she has no report.

Mayor Tucker stated it is official, the LST 325 will be docked at Mt. Vernon's riverfront from the afternoon of April 16 through the morning of April 20, 2010. He added this is quite an honor for Mt. Vernon as very few communities are fortunate enough to get the LST.
Councilwoman Higgins added Opening Ceremonies will be Saturday morning at 9:00 a.m.

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